



## A Call to Share Your Code Base

Dear Cooperatives,

We are experiencing a pandemic of historic dimensions. To survive, we are called upon to stay home. In economic developing countries, however, many workers are asked to either expose themselves to the virus or lose everything.

Putting people to work remotely will save lives. Social isolation doesn't have to lead to economic desperation! Platform cooperativism is the fairest and most effective way of enabling the digital conversion of existing cooperatives and the birth of new co-ops.

The launch of platform cooperatives in Brazil cannot wait!! At the same time, we acknowledge that the development of digital platforms is challenging.

*That is why we appeal to YOU now!*

We are asking you to make the code base of your platform co-op available to other cooperatives. A simple [Creative Commons CC Plus](#) license allows you to prevent commercial use by corporations.

Your decision to open your codebase will encourage the creation of new cooperatives in this desperate moment for many informal workers in the Global South.

This cannot wait.

Help us to help ourselves. We urge you: It's time to cooperate, to save lives through cooperative platforms!

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